

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

AT CHATTANOOGA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

-versus-

JERRY WAYNE WILKERSON,  
MICHAEL CHATFIELD, KASEY  
NICHOLSON, BILLY HINDMON and  
JAYSON MONTGOMERY,

Defendants.

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CR-1-18-11

Chattanooga, Tennessee

March 4, 2020

BEFORE: THE HONORABLE HARRY S. MATTICE, JR.,  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

APPEARANCES:

FOR THE PLAINTIFF:

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VERDICT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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2 FOR THE DEFENDANT MICHAEL CHATFIELD:

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17 Hamilton County Attorneys Office  
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18 625 Georgia Avenue  
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402  
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1           THE COURT: All right. Welcome back, everyone. Do  
2 all of the defendants have a copy of the blank verdict form?

3           Counsel, is there anything that we need to take up  
4 before the verdict is read?

5           MR. PIPER: No, Your Honor.

6           MR. HOBBS: I don't think so, Your Honor.

7           MR. ELDRIDGE: I don't think so.

8           THE COURT: All right. Ms. Capetz, would you read  
9 the verdict?

10          THE CLERK: The Court finds the following:

11          Question 1: With respect to the charge in Count 1  
12 of the indictment for conspiracy to commit healthcare fraud,  
13 the Court finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

14          With respect to the charge in Count 1 of the  
15 indictment for conspiracy to commit healthcare fraud, the  
16 Court finds the defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

17          With respect to the charge in Count 1 of the  
18 indictment for conspiracy to commit healthcare fraud, the  
19 Court finds the defendant, Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

20          (Brief pause.)

21          THE COURT: Ms. Capetz, would you like me to read  
22 the verdict?

23          THE CLERK: Yes.

24          THE COURT: Okay. Those are the first -- those are  
25 the first three questions.

1           Okay. With respect to the charge in Count 1 of the  
2 indictment for conspiracy to commit healthcare fraud, the  
3 Court finds the defendant, Billy Hindmon, guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 1 of the  
5 indictment for conspiracy to commit healthcare fraud, the  
6 Court finds the defendant, Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

7           With respect to the charge in Count 2 of the  
8 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
9 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

10          With respect to the charge in Count 3 of the  
11 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
12 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

13          With respect to the charge in Count 4 of the  
14 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
15 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

16          With respect to the charge in Count 5 of the  
17 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
18 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, not guilty.

19          With respect to the charge in Count 6 of the  
20 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
21 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

22          With respect to the charge in Count 7 of the  
23 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
24 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

25          With respect to the charge in Count 8 of the

1 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
2 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

3 With respect to the charge in Count 9 of the  
4 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
5 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

6 With respect to the charge in Count 10 of the  
7 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
8 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

9 With respect to the charge in Count 11 of the  
10 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
11 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

12 With respect to the charge in Count 12 of the  
13 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
14 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

15 With respect to the -- with respect to the charge in  
16 Count 13 of the indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the  
17 defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

18 With respect to the charge in Count 14 of the  
19 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
20 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

21 With respect to the charge in Count 15 of the  
22 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
23 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

24 With respect to the charge in Count 16 of the  
25 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,

1 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

2 With respect to the charge in Count 17 of the  
3 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
4 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

5 With respect to the charge in Count 18 of the  
6 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
7 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

8 With respect to the charge in Count 19 of the  
9 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
10 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

11 With respect to the charge in Count 20 of the  
12 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
13 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

14 With respect to the charge in Count 21 of the  
15 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
16 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

17 With respect to the charge in Count 22 of the  
18 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
19 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

20 With respect to the charge in Count 23 of the  
21 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
22 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

23 With respect to the charge in Count 24 of the  
24 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
25 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

1           With respect to the charge in Count 25 of the  
2 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
3 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 26 of the  
5 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
6 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

7           With respect to the charge in Count 27 of the  
8 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
9 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

10          With respect to the charge in Count 28 of the  
11 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
12 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

13          With respect to the charge in Count 29 of the  
14 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
15 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

16          With respect to the charge in Count 30 of the  
17 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
18 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

19          With respect to the charge in Count 31 of the  
20 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
21 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

22          With respect to the charge in Count 32 of the  
23 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
24 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

25          With respect to the charge in Count 33 of the

1 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
2 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

3 With respect to the charge in Count 34 of the  
4 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
5 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

6 With respect to the charge in Count 35 of the  
7 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
8 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

9 With respect to the charge in Count 36 of the  
10 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
11 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

12 With respect to the charge in Count 37 of the  
13 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
14 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

15 With respect to the charge in Count 38 of the  
16 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
17 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

18 With respect to the charge in Count 39 of the  
19 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
20 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

21 With respect to the charge in Count 40 of the  
22 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
23 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

24 With respect to the charge in Count 41 of the  
25 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,



1 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

2 With respect to the charge in Count 42 of the  
3 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
4 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

5 With respect to the charge in Count 43 of the  
6 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
7 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

8 With respect to the charge in Count 44 of the  
9 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
10 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

11 With respect to the charge in Count 45 of the  
12 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
13 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

14 With respect to the charge in Count 46 of the  
15 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
16 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

17 With respect to the charge in Count 47 of the  
18 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
19 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

20 With respect to the charge in Count 48 of the  
21 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
22 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

23 With respect to the charge in Count 49 of the  
24 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
25 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

1           With respect to the charge in Count 50 of the  
2 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
3 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 51 of the  
5 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
6 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

7           With respect to the charge in Count 52 of the  
8 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
9 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

10          With respect to the charge in Count 53 of the  
11 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
12 Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

13          With respect to the charge in Count 54 of the  
14 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
15 Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

16          With respect to the charge in Count 55 of the  
17 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
18 Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

19          With respect to the charge in Count 56 of the  
20 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
21 Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

22          With respect to the charge in Count 57 of the  
23 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
24 Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

25          With respect to the charge in Count 58 of the

1 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
2 Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

3 With respect to the charge in Count 59 of the  
4 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
5 Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

6 With respect to the charge in Count 60 of the  
7 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
8 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

9 With respect to the charge in Count 61 of the  
10 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
11 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

12 With respect to the charge in Count 62 of the  
13 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
14 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

15 With respect to the charge in Count 63 of the  
16 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
17 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

18 With respect to the charge in Count 64 of the  
19 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
20 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

21 With respect to the charge in Count 65 of the  
22 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
23 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

24 With respect to the charge in Count 66 of the  
25 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,

1 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

2 With respect to the charge in Count 67 of the  
3 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
4 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

5 With respect to the charge in Count 68 of the  
6 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
7 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

8 With respect to the charge in Count 69 of the  
9 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
10 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

11 With respect to the charge in Count 70 of the  
12 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
13 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

14 With respect to the charge in Count 71 of the  
15 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
16 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

17 With respect to the charge in Count 72 of the  
18 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
19 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

20 With respect to the charge in Count 73 of the  
21 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
22 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

23 With respect to the charge in Count 74 of the  
24 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
25 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

1           With respect to the charge in Count 75 of the  
2 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
3 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 67 -- 76 of the  
5 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
6 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

7           With respect to the charge in Count 77 of the  
8 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
9 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

10          With respect to the charge in Count 78 of the  
11 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
12 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

13          With respect to the charge in Count 79 of the  
14 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
15 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

16          With respect to the charge in Count 80 of the  
17 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
18 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

19          With respect to the charge in Count 81 of the  
20 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
21 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

22          With respect to the charge in Count 82 of the  
23 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
24 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

25          With respect to the charge in Count 83 of the

1 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
2 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

3 With respect to the charge in Count 84 of the  
4 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
5 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

6 With respect to the charge in Count 85 of the  
7 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
8 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

9 With respect to the charge in Count 86 of the  
10 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
11 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

12 With respect to the charge in Count 87 of the  
13 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
14 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

15 With respect to the charge in Count 88 of the  
16 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
17 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

18 With respect to the charge in Count 89 of the  
19 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
20 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

21 With respect to the charge in Count 90 of the  
22 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
23 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

24 With respect to the charge in Count 91 of the  
25 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,

1 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

2 With respect to the charge in Count 92 of the  
3 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
4 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

5 With respect to the charge in Count 93 of the  
6 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
7 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

8 With respect to the charge in Count 94 of the  
9 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
10 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

11 With respect to the charge in Count 95 of the  
12 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
13 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

14 With respect to the charge in Count 96 of the  
15 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
16 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

17 With respect to the charge in Count 97 of the  
18 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
19 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

20 With respect to the charge in Count 98 of the  
21 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
22 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

23 With respect to the charge in Count 99 of the  
24 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
25 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

1           With respect to the charge in Count 100 of the  
2 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
3 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 101 of the  
5 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
6 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

7           With respect to the --

8           (Brief pause.)

9           With respect to the charge in Count 102 of the  
10 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
11 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

12           With respect to the charge in Count 103 of the  
13 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
14 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

15           With respect to the charge in Count 104 of the  
16 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
17 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

18           With respect to the charge in Count 105 of the  
19 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
20 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

21           With respect to the charge in Count 106 of the  
22 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
23 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

24           With respect to the charge in Count 107 of the  
25 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,



1 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

2 With respect to the charge in Count 108 of the  
3 indictment for wire fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
4 Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

5 With respect to the charge in Count 109 of the  
6 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
7 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

8 With respect to the charge in Count 110 of the  
9 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
10 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

11 With respect to the charge in Count 111 of the  
12 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
13 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

14 With respect to the charge in Count 112 of the  
15 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
16 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

17 With respect to the charge in Count 113 of the  
18 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
19 Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

20 With respect to the charge in Count 114 of the  
21 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
22 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

23 With respect to the charge in Count 115 of the  
24 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
25 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

1           With respect to the charge in Count 116 of the  
2 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
3 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 117 of the  
5 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
6 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

7           With respect to the charge in Count 1 -- with  
8 respect to the charge in Count 118 of the indictment for mail  
9 fraud, the Court finds the defendant, Michael Chatfield,  
10 guilty.

11           With respect to the charge in Count 119 of the  
12 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
13 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

14           With respect to the charge in Count 120 of the  
15 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
16 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

17           With respect to the charge in Count 121 of the  
18 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
19 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

20           With respect to the charge in Count 122 of the  
21 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
22 Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

23           With respect to the charge in Count 123 of the  
24 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
25 Michael Chatfield, guilty.

1           With respect to the charge in Count 124 of the  
2 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
3 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 125 of the  
5 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
6 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

7           With respect to the charge in Count 126 of the  
8 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
9 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

10          With respect to the charge in Count 127 of the  
11 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
12 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

13          With respect to the charge in Count 128 of the  
14 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
15 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

16          With respect to the charge in Count 129 of the  
17 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
18 Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

19          With respect to the charge in Count 130 of the  
20 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
21 Billy Hindmon, guilty.

22          With respect to the charge in Count 131 of the  
23 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
24 Billy Hindmon, not guilty.

25          With respect to the charge in Count 132 of the

1 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
2 Billy Hindmon, not guilty.

3 With respect to the charge in Count 133 of the  
4 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
5 Billy Hindmon, not guilty.

6 With respect to the charge in Count 134 of the  
7 indictment for mail fraud, the Court finds the defendant,  
8 Billy Hindmon, not guilty.

9 With respect to the charge in Count 135 of the  
10 indictment for health care fraud, the Court finds the  
11 defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

12 With respect to the charge in Count 136 of the  
13 indictment for health care fraud, the Court finds the  
14 defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

15 With respect to the charge in Count 137 of the  
16 indictment for health care fraud, the Court finds the  
17 defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

18 With respect to the charge in Count 138 of the  
19 indictment for health care fraud, the Court finds the  
20 defendant, Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

21 With respect to the charge in Count 139 of the  
22 indictment for health care fraud, the Court finds the  
23 defendant, Billy Hindmon, guilty.

24 With respect to the charge in Count 140 of the  
25 indictment for health care fraud, the Court finds the

1 defendant, Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

2 With respect to the charge in Count 141 of the  
3 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
4 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

5 The Court -- the government dismissed Count 142 of  
6 the indictment for payment of illegal remuneration.

7 With respect to the charge in Count 143 of the  
8 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
9 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

10 With respect to the charge in Count 144 of the  
11 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
12 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

13 With respect to the charge in Count 145 of the  
14 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
15 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

16 With respect to the charge in Count 146 of the  
17 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
18 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

19 With respect to the charge in Count 147 of the  
20 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
21 finds the defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

22 With respect to the charge in Count 148 of the  
23 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
24 finds the defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

25 With respect to the charge in Count 149 of the

1 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
2 finds the defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

3 With respect to the charge in Count 150 of the  
4 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
5 finds the defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

6 With respect to the charge in Count 141 of -- I'm  
7 sorry. With respect to the charge in Count 151 of the  
8 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
9 finds the defendant, Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

10 With respect to the charge in Count 152 of the  
11 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
12 finds the defendant, Kasey Nicholson, not guilty.

13 With respect to the charge in Count 153 of the  
14 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
15 finds the defendant, Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

16 With respect to the charge in Count 154 of the  
17 indictment, for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
18 finds the defendant, Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

19 With respect to the charge in Count 155 of the  
20 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
21 finds the defendant, Billy Hindmon, guilty.

22 With respect to the charge in Count 156 of the  
23 indictment for payment of illegal remuneration, the Court  
24 finds the defendant, Billy Hindmon, guilty.

25 With respect to the charge in Count 157 of the

1 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
2 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

3 With respect to the charge in Count 158 of the  
4 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
5 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

6 With respect to the charge in Count 159 of the  
7 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
8 finds the defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

9 The government dismissed Count 160 of the indictment  
10 for receipt of illegal remuneration.

11 With respect to the charge in 1 -- with respect to  
12 the charge in Count 161 of the indictment for receipt of  
13 illegal remuneration, the Court finds the defendant, Michael  
14 Chatfield, guilty.

15 With respect to the charge in Count 162 of the  
16 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
17 finds the defendant, Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

18 With respect to the charge in Count 163 of the  
19 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
20 finds the defendant, Kasey Nicholson, guilty.

21 With respect to the charge in Count 164 of the  
22 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
23 finds the defendant, Billy Hindmon, guilty.

24 With respect to the charge in Count 165 of the  
25 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court

1 finds the defendant, Billy Hindmon, guilty.

2 With respect to the charge in Count 166 of the  
3 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
4 finds the defendant, Jayson Montgomery, guilty.

5 With respect to the charge in Count 167 of the  
6 indictment for receipt of illegal remuneration, the Court  
7 finds the defendant, Jayson Montgomery, guilty.

8 With respect to the charge in Count 168 of the  
9 indictment for aggravated identity theft, the Court finds the  
10 defendant, Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

11 With respect to the charge in Count 169 of the  
12 indictment for aggravated identity theft, the Court finds the  
13 defendant, Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

14 With respect to the charge in Count 170 of the  
15 indictment for aggravated identity theft, the Court finds the  
16 defendant, Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

17 With respect to the charge in Count 171 of the  
18 indictment for aggravated identity theft, the Court finds the  
19 defendant, Michael Chatfield, not guilty.

20 With respect to the charge in Count 172 of the  
21 indictment for money laundering, the Court finds the  
22 defendant, Jerry Wayne Wilkerson, guilty.

23 With respect to the charge in Count 173 of the  
24 indictment for money laundering, the Court finds the  
25 defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.



1           With respect to the charge in Count 174 of the  
2 indictment for money laundering, the Court finds the  
3 defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

4           With respect to the charge in Count 175 of the  
5 indictment for money laundering, the Court finds the  
6 defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

7           With respect to the charge in Count 176 of the  
8 indictment for money laundering, the Court finds the  
9 defendant, Michael Chatfield, guilty.

10           With respect to the charge in Count 170 -- with  
11 respect to the charge in Count 177 of the indictment for money  
12 laundering, the Court finds the defendant, Michael Chatfield,  
13 guilty.

14           With respect to the charge in Count 178 of the  
15 indictment for conspiracy to commit money laundering, mail  
16 fraud, wire fraud, and health care fraud, the Court finds the  
17 defendant, Billy Hindmon, not guilty.

18           With respect to the charge in Count 178 of the  
19 indictment for conspiracy to commit money laundering, mail  
20 fraud, wire fraud, and health care fraud, the Court finds the  
21 defendant, Jayson Montgomery, not guilty.

22           All right. That's the verdict.

23           Ms. Capetz, would you record, file and record the  
24 verdict of record, please? You've got the signed copy.

25           All right. Each of the defendants having been found

1 guilty of one or more counts in the indictment I'm going to  
2 set a date for sentencing of, I believe this is a Monday,  
3 Monday, June 8, 2020. Why don't we go ahead and set that for  
4 9:00 a.m. that day, and we'll continue for as long as is  
5 needed. Monday, June 8, 2020.

6 I need to ask the government. Is there any  
7 objection to permitting all defendants to remain on bond --

8 MR. PIPER: No, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: -- pending sentencing under the same  
10 conditions that have been? I'm informed by the Court's  
11 probation office that all of the defendants have performed in  
12 an exemplary manner while on bond. Okay. Then, defendants,  
13 same conditions that you've been under all along in terms of  
14 pending sentencing, so.

15 MR. PIPER: Your Honor, we do have forfeiture  
16 allegations in the indictment and, generally, that calls for a  
17 hearing. It can be -- it could be truncated, if the Court  
18 would allow --

19 THE COURT: Okay. Do we need to have a hearing  
20 before sentencing?

21 MR. PIPER: On forfeiture, yes, sir.

22 THE COURT: Okay. How long do you anticipate that  
23 will take?

24 MR. PIPER: Not long.

25 THE COURT: Why don't we just set everything for

1 June 8th for the time being and we'll go ahead and just  
2 move --

3 MR. PIPER: Perhaps defense counsel and I can work  
4 something out, too, Mr. Clark and I can work something out.

5 THE COURT: By the way, I've also got the following  
6 week Monday, June 15th available, so if you want to do one on  
7 the 8th and one on the 15th that might work.

8 MR. PIPER: May I ask if the Court is going to hear  
9 the sentencing?

10 THE COURT: The Court doesn't know whether it's  
11 going to hear the sentencing, but the Court expects that most  
12 likely it will preside over the sentencing. I just think in  
13 the interest of judicial efficiency, if the Court, unless the  
14 Court is somehow otherwise disabled, the Court would probably  
15 intend -- well, disability means I don't have a judicial  
16 commission anymore, so, you know.

17 MR. PIPER: Thank you, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: That would be my expectation.  
19 Obviously, things can change, so.

20 MR. PIPER: Yes, sir.

21 THE COURT: Anything else?

22 All right. If there is nothing else, then Court  
23 will be adjourned. Thank you, everyone.

24 END OF VERDICT

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2 I, Shannan Andrews, do hereby certify that I  
3 reported in machine shorthand the proceedings in the  
4 above-styled cause held March 4, 2020, and that this  
5 transcript is an accurate record of said proceedings.

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